

# LHRC Restructuring

Repealed Section 250 was divided into two NEW sections

- Section 260 – Provider and Department responsibilities
- Section 270 – State and Local Human Rights Committee responsibilities

*The first and foremost important duty is to provide due process for any individual served by a provider under the Committees jurisdiction.*

# LHRC Restructuring

## LHRC responsibilities:

- Hold Hearings
- Review rights restrictions
- Receive, review and act on variances
- Next Friend
- Research
- Consent and Capacity

## NOT LHRC responsibilities:

- Review provider policies
- Directly receive provider reports of abuse and neglect
- Require provider attendance at all meetings

**NOTE: Providers are no longer required to affiliate with an LHRC, attend all LHRC meetings or submit quarterly or annual reports**

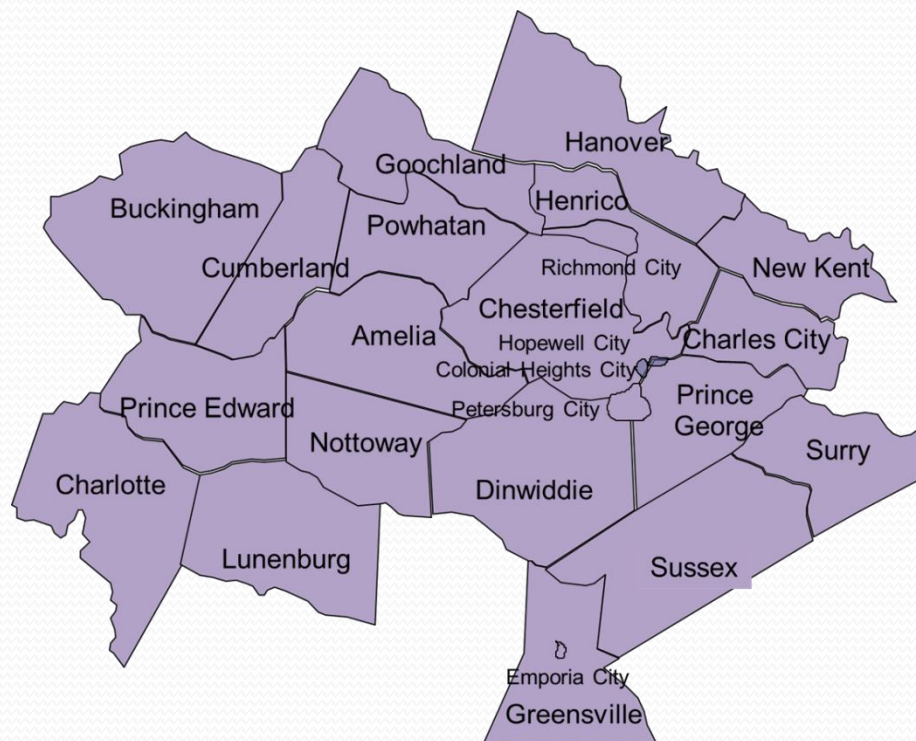
# LHRC Restructuring

- We started consolidating LHRCs by collapsing non-functional committees in 2016
- LHRC and Provider Training is occurring
- Provider tools are in development
- Guidance documents will be forthcoming as issues are raised

# Office of Human Rights

## LHRC Restructuring

### Region 4



# Who's Who in Region 4

## **Beverly Garnes**

Regional Advocate, Community

## **Carrie Flowers**

Human Rights Advocate, Facility

## **Tammy Long**

Human Rights Advocate, Facility/Community

## **Sharae Henderson**

Human Rights Advocate, Community

## **Samantha Fogt** *(not pictured)*

Human Rights Advocate, Community

## **Cheryl Young**

Human Rights Advocate, Facility



# Region 4 LHRC Consolidation

- Team collapsed nineteen LHRC's by identifying those with highest membership and most suitable location
- Seven (7) LHRC's will now serve Region 4
- Locations determined will provide easy access to most individuals and providers

# Restructured LHRC's

- New Creation and Richmond Tri-Cities merged under **Chesterfield LHRC**.
- Phoenix and Tuckahoe merged under **Henrico LHRC**.
- Commonwealth, Metropolitan, and Richmond Unified merged under **Goochland/Powhatan LHRC**.
- Central Area, Crater, and Petersburg Regional merged under **Anue LHRC**.
- Chester Regional and Metro Richmond merged under **Hanover LHRC**.
- **Piedmont Geriatric Hospital LHRC** remains the same.
- **Central State Hospital / Hiram Davis Medical Center LHRC** will have no providers associated.

# LHRC Assignment

- Assignment to a LHRC will depend on proximity to meeting location.
- New providers will be assigned to a LHRC by the Regional Advocate once compliance is verified.
- Existing providers will access the LHRC they have been merged with.
- For assignment to LHRC, contact:  
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# LHRC & Advocate Assignments

- **Chesterfield LHRC**

- **Meeting Location:**

Chesterfield Mental Health Support Services  
6801 Lucy Corr Boulevard  
Chesterfield, VA

- **Meeting Date/Time:** 4th Monday of January, April, July and October at 5:30 p .m.  
*(unless otherwise indicated)*

**Beverly Garnes** – Regional Advocate

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# LHRC & Advocate Assignments

- **Henrico LHRC**

- **Meeting Location:**

Henrico Area Mental Health & Developmental Services Conf. Rm. B.  
10299 Woodman Rd.  
Glen Allen, VA

- **Meeting Date/Time:** 2nd Tuesday of January, April, July and October at 6:00 p .m.

**Tammy Long** – Human Rights Advocate

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# LHRC & Advocate Assignments

- **Piedmont Geriatric Hospital**

- **Meeting Location:**

- Piedmont Geriatric Hospital Auditorium  
5001 East Patrick Henry Highway  
Burkeville, VA

- **Meeting Date/Time:** 3rd Wednesday of January, April, July, and October

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# LHRC & Advocate Assignments

- **Anue LHRC**

- **Meeting Location:**

- Central State Hospital, Bld. 113, Rm. 300

- **Meeting Date/Time:** 3rd Tuesday of January, April, July and October at 5:30 p.m.  
*(unless otherwise indicated)*

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# LHRC & Advocate Assignments

- **Hanover LHRC**

- **Meeting Location:**

12300 Washington Highway  
Ashland, VA 23005

- **Meeting Date/Time:** 1st Tuesday of March, June, September, and December at 5:00 pm *(unless otherwise indicated)*

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# LHRC & Advocate Assignments

- **Goochland/Powhatan LHRC**

- **Meeting Location:**

Good Neighbor Community Services Nationwide Building, Boulders IV  
7501 Boulder View Drive 6Th Floor Conference Room  
Richmond, Va. 23225

- **Meeting Date/Time:** 4th Thursday of January, April, July and October at 9:30am  
*(unless otherwise indicated)*

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# LHRC & Advocate Assignments

- **Central State Hospital/Hiram Davis Medical Center LHRC**
  - **Meeting Location:** Administration Building #113 on the Hospital campus
  - **Meeting Date/Time:** 2nd Thursday each quarter at 6:00 p.m.  
*(unless otherwise indicated)*

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# Things to know....

- How to access the LHRC
  - Email your assigned advocate with agenda item/request to receive guidance on accessing a LHRC.
  
- When required to attend LHRC meeting:
  - Review/Approval of Restrictions on Freedoms of Everyday Life- 12VAC35-115-100
  - Review/Approval of Program Rules upon request of Advocate or LHRC- 12VAC35-115-100
  - Restrictive behavioral treatment plans- 12VAC35-115-105
  - Next Friend Appointments- 12VAC35-115-146
  - Fact Finding Hearings- 12VAC35-115-180
  - Variance Request- 12VAC35-115-220
  - Or upon request by the Advocate/LHRC



# Things to know....

## ➤ Who to contact

- Human Rights posters – posters can be found on DBHDS website at [www.dbhds.virginia.gov/individuals-and-families/human-rights](http://www.dbhds.virginia.gov/individuals-and-families/human-rights)  
Ensure your posters are updated with current advocate contact information.
- General information about CHRIS is on the DBHDS web site [www.dbhds.virginia.gov](http://www.dbhds.virginia.gov)
- Delta access issues?  
Contact [deltaprod@dbhds.virginia.gov](mailto:deltaprod@dbhds.virginia.gov)

# Next Steps for Providers

All providers must update their human rights policies to be in compliance with these regulations.

This link will take you to the final version of the regulations,

<http://law.lis.virginia.gov/report/Ma42K>.



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# Next Steps for Providers

Once you have completed this update, this link will allow you to electronically verify that your policies are in compliance,

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XPDLQTP>.

The form will not open more than one time from the same device so please be sure that you have followed the guidance for revising your policies before you begin the verification process. Respondents cannot change their answers after the form has been completed and sent.

Providers have until May 1, 2017 to complete this process.

# Next Steps for Providers

Once compliance is verified, there is nothing further a provider needs to do. Providers DO NOT have to submit their revised policies to the Office of Human Rights for review.

Advocates will review policies when visiting your program or when deemed necessary.